Amendments to the Claims

1.   (currently amended) A method for inserting an identification modulation code into a printed image, comprising the steps of:

inserting a start code into a subpixel modulation process that alters placement of spots at a resolution higher than an output of a printer;

modulating said subpixel modulation process in accordance with a code, wherein said code ~~corresponds to~~ <u>alters the placement of the spots to produce a sub-visual pattern identifying</u> a print engine; and

inserting a stop code into said subpixel modulation process.

2.   (original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said code is repeated several times throughout a printed image.

3.   (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said modulating further comprises modulating said subpixel modulation process between two levels of magnitude of timing.

4.   (original) The method as claimed in claim 3, wherein said modulating ~~step~~ further comprises modulating said subpixel modulation process between full and half modulation.

5.   (original) The method as claimed in claim 3, wherein said modulating ~~step~~ further comprises modulating said subpixel modulation process between full and no modulation.

6.   (original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said start code further comprises a modulation sequence of 11110011.

7.   (original) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said stop code further comprises a modulation sequence 00001111.